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Field Crops

Alfalfa harvest is active on less than half of the State's acreage. **Alfalfa** condition remains mostly good. Range and pasture conditions across the State are very poor to poor. Sheeping off is still active in several alfalfa growing areas.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, greens, iceberg lettuce, romaine lettuce, other lettuce, miscellaneous herbs, green onions, parsley, and spinach. Citrus produce was also shipped.

Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, celery, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, green onions, greens, honeydews, iceberg lettuce, romaine lettuce, other lettuce, miscellaneous Asian vegetables, miscellaneous herbs, parsley, and spinach. Citrus shipments included grapefruit, lemons, Navel oranges, and tangerines.

Crop Condition

	Crop Condition				
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			—Percent—		
Alfalfa	1	14	24	42	19
Range and Pasture	48	30	14	6	2

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were mostly above normal for the week ending February 12. Temperatures ranged from 6 degrees below normal at Winslow to 8 degrees above normal at Phoenix and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 86 degrees at Marana. The lowest reading occurred in Grand

Canyon at -1 degree. Precipitation was reported at 1 of the 22 reporting stations. Douglas received 0.06 inches of precipitation. Only 10 of the 22 reporting stations have received precipitation this year to date. All of the 22 reporting stations are at below normal precipitation levels to date.

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**Temperature and Precipitation Data
February 6 - February 12, 2006**

Station	Temperature				Precipitation		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal
Aguila	56	6	82	29	0.00	0.00	-1.82
Buckeye	59	5	84	35	0.00	0.00	-0.91
Canyon De Chelly	33	-4	55	9	0.00	0.56	-0.40
Coolidge	55	2	80	28	0.00	0.00	-1.21
Douglas	49	3	76	16	0.06	0.08	-0.89
Flagstaff	34	4	60	8	0.00	0.23	-2.65
Grand Canyon	31	3	59	-1	0.00	0.24	-3.16
Kingman	49	4	73	27	0.00	0.00	-1.28
Marana	58	4	86	30	0.00	0.00	-1.63
Maricopa	56	3	83	31	0.00	0.00	-1.06
Paloma	57	2	81	32	0.00	0.00	-0.98
Parker	58	3	85	33	0.00	0.00	-1.16
Payson	46	6	71	21	0.00	0.21	-2.56
Phoenix	65	8	85	47	0.00	0.00	-0.91
Prescott	43	6	68	18	0.00	0.04	-2.09
Roll	59	4	84	34	0.00	0.00	-0.47
Safford	49	3	73	27	0.00	0.31	-0.62
St. Johns	36	-2	65	9	0.00	0.14	-0.77
Tucson	60	7	81	37	0.00	0.00	-1.12
Willcox	52	8	74	24	0.00	0.16	-1.14
Winslow	33	-6	62	7	0.00	0.05	-0.60
Yuma	60	3	81	37	0.00	0.00	-0.40

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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